

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

UNITED STATES ARMY INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY COMMAND 501ST MILITARY INTELLIGENCE BRIGADE UNIT# 15282 APO AP 96205-0055

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MEMORANUM FOR ALL INCOMING PERSONNEL

SUBJECT: Welcome to the 501st Military Intelligence

On behalf of the Soldiers, Civilians, and Family members of the 501st Military Intelligence Brigade, welcome to Korea; we are confident that your time here will be rewarding. For nearly 60 years, the 501st MI Brigade and its predecessors have supported combined forces on the Korean Peninsula. With an around-the-clock mission of providing warfighters early indications and warning of aggressive action by opposing forces, the Brigade contributes unique capabilities to the upholding of the armistice agreement. We welcome you and know that you will find your experience here both professionally and personally rewarding.

You will conduct initial in-processing at the 1st Replacement Company at the Yongsan Readiness Company (YRC) http://yongsan.korea.army.mil/yrc.asp. YRC is responsible for housing all newly arrived Soldiers during a 4-Day Reception and Integration Orientation for all Soldiers, USFK Family Members and Civilians assigned to units located in USAG-Yongsan, Humphreys, and Daegu. YRC allows you to settle travel vouchers, receive field clothing and equipment, and schedule receipt of personal property. After approximately four duty days, you will be released to your units and you'll quickly integrate into operations. Each battalion has active Family Readiness Group (FRG) programs and every installation has tremendous Better Opportunity for Single Soldiers (BOSS) programs – don't sit at home, get out and see the wonderful Nation of Korea.

Please take time to browse our web site. Prior to your arrival, we will assign a sponsor to ease your transition into Korea. Your sponsor will answer any questions you may have about your job, the Command, or the many installations. If you do not receive a sponsor, you may request one via 501stMIBDES1Sponsor@mi.army.mil. If you feel like you're not getting the support you need, contact your chain of command or the Brigade Command Sergeant Major for assistance.

Life in Korea provides many rewarding experiences and some unique challenges. Family travel may be deferred because of because of limited on post housing opportunities and some Families may reside off post on the Korean economy. It's important to resolve any significant medical and/or dental issues prior to your arrival. Additionally spousal employment opportunities may be limited based on area of assignment.

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Best wishes for a safe and pleasant journey to your new installation. Again, I am confident you will find your assignment to this command a tremendous opportunity for professional and personal growth. I wish you a smooth transition and success in your new assignment.

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CSM, USA Brigade CSM SEPH M. COXI

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